

General

Title

Geriatrics: percentage of female patients aged 65 years and older who were assessed for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months.

Source(s)

American Geriatrics Society (AGS), American Medical Association (AMA)-convened Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement® (PCPI), National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). Geriatrics: performance measurement set. Washington (DC): National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA); 2013 Jul. 40 p. [11 references]

Measure Domain

Primary Measure Domain

Clinical Quality Measures: Process

Secondary Measure Domain

Does not apply to this measure

Brief Abstract

Description

This measure is used to assess the percentage of female patients aged 65 years and older who were assessed for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months.

Rationale

Female patients may not volunteer information regarding incontinence so they should be asked by their physician.

The following clinical recommendation statements are quoted verbatim from the referenced clinical guidelines and represent the evidence base for the measure:

Strategies to increase recognition and reporting of urinary incontinence (UI) are required and especially the perception that it is an inevitable consequence of aging for which little or nothing can be done (Fonda

et al., 2005).

Patients with urinary incontinence should undergo a basic evaluation that includes a history, physical examination, measurement of postvoid residual volume, and urinalysis (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists [ACOG], 2005).

Health care providers should be able to initiate evaluation and treatment of UI basing their judgment on the results of history, physical examination, postvoiding residual and urinalysis (Fonda et al., 2005).

Evidence for Rationale

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Urinary incontinence in women. *Obstet Gynecol.* 2005 Jun;105(6):1533-45. [PubMed](#)

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Fonda D, DuBeau CE, Harari D et al. Incontinence in the frail elderly. In: Abrams P, Cardazo L, Khoury S, Wein A, editor(s). *Incontinence: 3rd International Consultation on Incontinence (ICI).* Plymouth (England): Health Publication, Ltd.; 2005.

Primary Health Components

Geriatrics; urinary incontinence; assessment

Denominator Description

All female patients aged 65 years and older (see the related "Denominator Inclusions/Exclusions" field)

Numerator Description

Patients who were assessed for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months (see the related "Numerator Inclusions/Exclusions" field)

Evidence Supporting the Measure

Type of Evidence Supporting the Criterion of Quality for the Measure

A clinical practice guideline or other peer-reviewed synthesis of the clinical research evidence

Additional Information Supporting Need for the Measure

Unspecified

Extent of Measure Testing

Unspecified

State of Use of the Measure

State of Use

Current routine use

Current Use

not defined yet

Application of the Measure in its Current Use

Measurement Setting

Ambulatory/Office-based Care

Professionals Involved in Delivery of Health Services

not defined yet

Least Aggregated Level of Services Delivery Addressed

Individual Clinicians or Public Health Professionals

Statement of Acceptable Minimum Sample Size

Does not apply to this measure

Target Population Age

Age greater than or equal to 65 years

Target Population Gender

Female (only)

National Strategy for Quality Improvement in Health Care

National Quality Strategy Aim

Better Care

National Quality Strategy Priority

Institute of Medicine (IOM) National Health Care Quality Report Categories

IOM Care Need

Staying Healthy

IOM Domain

Effectiveness

Data Collection for the Measure

Case Finding Period

Unspecified

Denominator Sampling Frame

Patients associated with provider

Denominator (Index) Event or Characteristic

Patient/Individual (Consumer) Characteristic

Denominator Time Window

not defined yet

Denominator Inclusions/Exclusions

Inclusions

All female patients aged 65 years and older

Note: Refer to the original measure documentation for administrative codes.

Exclusions

Documentation of medical reason(s) for not assessing for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months

Exclusions/Exceptions

not defined yet

Numerator Inclusions/Exclusions

Inclusions

Patients who were assessed for the presence or absence of urinary incontinence within 12 months

Note:

Urinary incontinence is defined as any involuntary leakage of urine.
Refer to the original measure documentation for administrative codes.

Exclusions

Unspecified

Numerator Search Strategy

Fixed time period or point in time

Data Source

Administrative clinical data

Type of Health State

Does not apply to this measure

Instruments Used and/or Associated with the Measure

Unspecified

Computation of the Measure

Measure Specifies Disaggregation

Does not apply to this measure

Scoring

Rate/Proportion

Interpretation of Score

Desired value is a higher score

Allowance for Patient or Population Factors

not defined yet

Standard of Comparison

not defined yet

Identifying Information

Original Title

Measure #3: assessment of presence or absence of urinary incontinence in women aged 65 years and older.

Measure Collection Name

Geriatrics Performance Measurement Set

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Physician Quality Reporting System

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Measure Maintenance

Unspecified

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Measure Availability

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